

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the specification as follows:

The paragraph beginning at page 1, line 9, is amended as follows:

**Priority**

The present invention is a continuation-in-part of commonly assigned and co-pending U.S. Application No. 10/784,440, filed on February 23, 2004 and entitled: "Techniques for Managing and Accelerating Data Delivery." U.S. Application No. 10/784,440 is a continuation-in-part to co-pending and commonly assigned U.S. Application No. 10/650,211 filed on August 28, 2003, entitled: "Secure Intranet Access," and now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,950,936, the disclosure of which is incorporated by reference herein. Pending U.S. Application No. 10/650,211 Now issued U.S. Patent No. 6,950,936 is a continuation of now issued U.S. Patent No. 6,640,302. Furthermore, U.S. Patent No. 6,640,302 is a divisional of now issued U.S. Patent No. 6,081,900.